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Beauregard Parish Man Indicted in Triple Murder

DeRidder, LA - A Beauregard Parish Grand Jury, earlier today, indicted Christopher Bounds, 21 years of age, on three counts of First Degree Murder, and one count each of Armed Robbery, Aggravated Burglary, and Aggravated Arson. The multi-count indictment was handed down just before noon.

This is the result of an exhaustive investigation by the Louisiana State Fire Marshal's Office, the Beauregard Parish Sheriff's Office, and the Calcasieu Parish Coroner's Office.

The investigation began in the early morning hours on February 2, 2011, when several fire departments and law enforcement agencies responded to a fire which engulfed a home in the Dry Creek community. The bodies of 40 year old Patricia Kreuzberger and her two daughters, 10 year old Mya and 5 year old Nichole, were discovered in the charred remains of the home. Scott Kreuzberger, Patricia Kreuzberger's husband and the father of the two children, was working offshore at the time of the fire.

The Calcasieu Parish Coroner's Office determined that all three victims died from causes other than the fire, and has classified their deaths as homicide. State Fire Marshal investigators determined the fire to have been intentionally set.

At the time of the fire, Bounds, then 19 years of age, was an acquaintance of the victims and lived next door to the victims' King Rd. residence, in a home that he shared with his mother and stepfather. Bounds had lived in the home for less than a year.

Bounds, who has a troubled past, was indicted earlier this year by a Beauregard Parish Grand Jury on unrelated charges of Aggravated Rape and Sexual Battery of a minor, Aggravated Burglary, Aggravated Second Degree Battery, and Resisting an Officer With Force or Violence. Bounds is currently being held in the Beauregard Parish Jail without Bond.

The prosecution of all charges will be handled by the Beauregard Parish District Attorney's Office. Bounds is represented by the Beauregard Parish Public Defender's Office.

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